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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 22, 2008, applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered into this application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

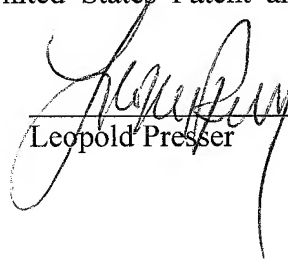
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